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**Meeting Announcement
Agenda**

**1:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 25, 2007
8:30 a.m., Thursday, April 26, 2007**

**Regional Water Quality Control Board
North Coast Region
5550 Skylane Blvd., Suite A
Santa Rosa, California**

Supporting documents for agenda items are posted on our website at least 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting. To view or download documents, go to www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast.

Comments on individual agenda items are welcome. A set of draft materials for each agenda item that will be considered by the Regional Water Board is mailed to each person on the interested parties list. If you wish to be added to our interested parties list for a specific agenda item, please contact the staff person listed with the item in this agenda notice.

For comments on an agenda item to be considered by the Regional Water Board, they must be submitted on or before the due date listed in the associated hearing notice, which is mailed to interested parties, and posted on the Regional Water Board's website.

For any item for which there is no due date specified by a specific hearing notice, all written submittals shall be due no later than 12:00 noon the Friday before the board meeting or workshop. Timely submittal of comments gives the Regional Water Board staff and the Regional Water Board members sufficient time to familiarize themselves with your concerns and for staff to address them.

The Regional Water Board may refuse to accept written comments submitted after the due date in the applicable hearing notice. Pursuant to title 23, California Code of Regulations, section 648.4, the Regional Water Board may refuse to admit written testimony or evidence into the administrative record if it is not submitted to the Regional Water Board in a timely manner, unless the proponent can demonstrate why he or she was unable to submit the material on time or that compliance with the deadline would create an unreasonable hardship. Agenda items are subject to postponement. You may contact the designated staff contact person in advance of the meeting day for information on the status of any agenda item.

All persons desiring to address the Board are required to fill out a **speaker card**. The Chair may then determine the number of persons who wish to speak on any one item. Cards are normally provided near the entrance to the meeting room.

Except for items designated as time certain, there are no set times for agenda items. Items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Chair.

Wednesday, April 25, 2007

1:30 p.m.

- i. Pledge of Allegiance
- ii. Roll Call and Introductions
- iii. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure - Board Members will identify any discussions they may have had requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.50.
1. **Public Outreach Session - 2007 Water Boards Strategic Plan Update** - The Water Boards have begun an effort to update their Strategic Plan. A series of forums are being conducted over the next few months to receive input from stakeholders and staff about what should be in the plan update. Stakeholders recently provided their perspectives at a Statewide Strategic Plan Summit March 12 and 13 concerning issues and trends relating to water quality and water rights. They identified key areas of focus for the Boards to consider in their planning for the next five years. A summit dedicated to Regional and State Water Board staff input is scheduled for April 16 and 17.

The purpose of today's session is to engage the public's perspective on the input received during the statewide summits. This will be done through facilitated interactive discussions in small groups where input will be recorded and reported out to the entire session attendees. If you are not able to attend the public outreach session, an opportunity to contribute your ideas on-line will be available after the outreach session.

The Water Boards will use the information received through the summits and regional outreach sessions to prepare a draft Strategic Plan which will be considered for adoption by the State Water Board in the summer of 2007. *(Catherine Kuhlman)*

Thursday, April 26, 2007

8:30 a.m.

- iv. Pledge of Allegiance
 - v. Roll Call and Introductions
 - vi. Board Member Ex Parte Communication Disclosure - Board Members will identify any discussions they may have had requiring disclosure pursuant to Government Code section 11430.50.
 - vii. State Board Liaison's, Board Chair's, Board Members' and Executive Officer's Reports: These items are for Board discussion only. No public testimony will be allowed, and the Board will take no formal action.
 - viii. **Public Forum** – Time will be reserved for the general public to address the Board on any matter within the Board's jurisdiction, excluding those items on the agenda. The Board Chair may limit the public forum to thirty (30) minutes initially, and continue any remaining appearances beyond the thirty (30) minutes at the end of the regularly scheduled business of the day. The Board Chair requests that each person addressing the Board limit their presentation to three (3) minutes.
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: March 2007
 - 3. Board Expenses (*John Corbett*)

Consent Item

- 4. Order No. R1-2007-0027, to consider Waste Discharge Requirements for Geysers Power Company, LLC Calpine Corporation, **The Geysers and Wildhorse Development**, WDID NO. 1B86002RSON (*Scott Gergus*)
- 5. PUBLIC HEARING Order No. R1-2007-0015, to consider a proposed Cease and Desist Order for **Fort Bragg Municipal Improvement District No. 1** WDID No. 1B84083OMEN (*Charles Reed*)

Petitions for Consideration

- 6. Consider draft Resolution No. R1-2007-0028 to deny a petition submitted by the Karuk Tribe of California, Klamath Riverkeeper, Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations and the Institute for Fisheries Resources, requesting that the Regional Water Board order **PacifiCorp, operator of Copco and Iron Gate Dams** to submit a report of waste discharge and/or to issue waste discharge requirements. The Regional Water Board will hear public comments on this item. (*Samantha Olson/Elmer Dudik*)
- 7. Consider a petition, submitted by Felice Pace, requesting the Regional Water Board to order the **Montague Irrigation District, operator of Dwinell Reservoir**, to submit a report of waste discharge and/or to issue waste discharge requirements. The Regional Water Board will hear comments/argument and consider a motion directing staff to prepare a resolution or order for adoption at the July 2007 Board meeting. (*Catherine Kuhlman*)
- 8. Consider a petition, submitted by Bill Crane, John and Annie Roberts, Margaret Rockwood, Marcia Hart, Madeleine Rose, and Ed Berger, requesting the Regional Water Board to assert its jurisdiction over **6875 Timber Drive, Sebastopol** to prohibit construction of a septic system on the property until the Regional Board approves a system that meets requirements of the Basin Plan and all other

related policies and regulations. The Regional Board will hear an update from staff on actions taken to address the arguments in the petition, and accept or dismiss the petition in view of staff's request for a ROWD. (*Luis Rivera*)

Workshop

This item will not be heard before 1:30 p.m.

9. Public Workshop and **CEQA Scoping Meeting** concerning the development of an amendment to the Regional Water Quality Control Plan for the North Coast Region to address Low Threat Discharge (*Cathy Goodwin / Holly Lundborg*)

Enforcement

10. PUBLIC HEARING Order No. R1-2007-0016, to consider adoption of an administrative civil liability order acknowledging penalty payment and specifying a supplemental environmental project to satisfy Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R1-2005-0038 issued on May 11, 2005 for violations of Waste Discharge Requirements Order Nos. 94-110 and R1-2001-0022 adopted for **Georgia Pacific Corporation, Fort Bragg Lumber Mill**, Mendocino County, WDID No. 1B84089OMEN (*Manuel Baldenegro*)
11. PUBLIC HEARING Order No. R1-2007-0021, to consider adoption of an administrative civil liability order acknowledging penalty payment and specifying a project to satisfy Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R1-2006-0091 issued on August 22, 2006 for violation of Waste Discharge Requirements Order No. R1-2004-0013 adopted for the **City of Eureka, Elk River Wastewater Treatment Facility**, Humboldt County, WDID NO. 1B82151OHUM (*Bill Rodriguez*)
12. PUBLIC HEARING Order No. R1-2007-0018, to consider adoption of an administrative civil liability order acknowledging penalty payment and specifying a compliance project to satisfy Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R1-2006-0034 issued on March 16, 2006 for violations of Waste Discharge Requirements Order Nos. 96-7 and R1-2001-60 adopted for **McKinleyville Community Services District, Wastewater Treatment Facility**, Humboldt County, WDID NO. 1B82084OHUM. (*Bill Rodriguez*)

Information Items

13. Update on Sediment Amendment to the Basin Plan (*Holly Lundborg*)
14. Executive Officer Administrative Civil Liabilities (*Catherine Kuhlman*)
15. Board Member Requests for Future Agenda Items (*Catherine Kuhlman*)
16. Monthly Report to the Board
17. Other Items of Interest

Closed Session

18. The Board may meet in closed session to:

- a. consider evidence received in an adjudicatory hearing and deliberate on a decision to be reached based on that evidence (Gov. Code, §11126, subd.(c)(3));
- b. consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of a public employee or to hear complaints or charges brought against a public employee (Gov. Code, § 11126, subd.(a)(1));
- c. discuss significant exposure to litigation (Gov. Code, §11126, subd.(e)(2)(B)(i));
- d. discuss whether to initiate litigation Gov. Code, § 11126, subd.(e)(2)(C)(i)) including, but not limited to, the following matters: (*In re Talmage Dam* [consider referral of sediment discharge from dam operated by Mendocino County to Attorney General's Office]); and
- e. discuss initiated litigation in the following matters Gov. Code, § 11126, subd.(e)):
 - 1) *Carla M. Clark et al. v. City of Santa Rosa et al.*, Sonoma Co. Sup. Ct., Case No. 227896;
 - 2) *Pacific Lumber Company and Scotia Pacific Company, LLC v. North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board and California State Water Resources Control Board*, Humboldt Co. Sup. Court, Case No. CV-030650 (challenging 13267 orders);
 - 3) *Pacific Lumber Company and Scotia Pacific Company, LLC v. North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board and California State Water Resources Control Board*, Humboldt Co. Sup. Court, Case No. CV 030761 (challenging request for reports of waste discharge in Freshwater Creek);
 - 4) *People of the State of California v. North Coast Railroad Authority d.b.a. North Western Pacific Railroad*, Mendocino Co. Sup. Ct., Case No. CV80240;
 - 5) *Whitman Corp. and Pneumo Abex Corp. v. California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region*, Sonoma County Sup. Court (no Case No.); and related case *People of the State of California, et al. v. Remco Hydraulics, Inc., et al.*, U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist., Case No. C96-0283;
 - 6) *People, et al. v. KURE Shipping S.A., et al.*, Humboldt Co. Sup. Court (natural resource damage and statutory violations stemming from another fuel oil spill in Humboldt Bay several years ago);
 - 7) *John W. Hanes et al. v. North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board*, Mendocino County Superior Court, Case No. SCUK CVPT 0492211 (challenging administrative civil liabilities and their basis);
 - 8) *John Green; Green Right O'Way Constructors v. North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board*, Mendocino Co. Superior Court, Case No. CV0595697 (challenging ACL order);
 - 9) *Hopland Public Utility District v. California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region*, Mendocino Co. Superior Court, Case No. SCUKCVPT 05-96035 (challenging ACL order);
 - 10) *John Diehl v. RWQCB*, Del Norte Co. Sup. Ct., Case No. CVPT061440 (requesting stay of, and challenging cleanup and abatement order);
 - 11) *Pacific Lumber Co. et al. v. State of California*, Fresno Co. Sup. Ct., Case No. 06CECG04221;
 - 12) *Ken Berry et al. v. SWRCB*, Sacramento Co. Sup. Ct., Case No. 07CS00021;
 - 13) *In re Petition of Hopland Public Utilities District* (SWRCB/OCC File No. A-1698);
 - 14) *In re Petition of Humboldt Waste Management Authority* (SWRCB/OCC File No. A-1742);
 - 15) *In re Petition of Betty A. Marshall* (SWRCB/OCC File No. A-1652);
 - 16) *In re Petition of Shiloh Group LLC*, SWRCB/OCC File No. A1733;
 - 17) *In re Petition of Pacific Lumber Co., et al.*, SWRCB/OCC File No. (A1753) (challenging the Executive Officer's rescission of interim enrollments of specified THPs in the General Timber WDRs pursuant to the watershed-wide WDRs);
 - 18) *In re Petition of Pacific Lumber Co., et al*, SWRCB/OCC File No. (A1755) (challenging watershed-wide waste discharge requirements in Elk River and Freshwater Creek);
 - 19) *In re Petition of Elk River Residents' Assoc.*, SWRCB/OCC File No. (A1755(a)) (challenging watershed-wide waste discharge requirements in Elk River and Freshwater Creek);
 - 20) *In re Petition of Humboldt Watershed Council and Elk River Residents Association*, SWRCB/OCC File No. (A1783(a) & A1783) (challenging and requesting stay of Monitoring and Reporting Order R1-2006-0103 and subsequent enrollments [THPs 1-03-126, 1-04-241, and 1-05-161]);
 - 21) *In re Petition of City of Santa Rosa, Northern California River Watch and Coast Action Group*, SWRCB/OCC File Nos. A-1779 and A-1779(a) (challenging NPDES permit Order No. R1-2006-0045);

- 22) *In re Petition of City of Arcata*, SWRCB/OCC File No.A-1754 (challenging ACL Order No. R1-2006-0054); and
- 23) *In re Petition of Voice Family et al.*, SWRCB/OCC File No. (1781(a)&(b)) (challenging water quality certification for Van Duzen Ranch Streambank Protection Activities).

19. Arrangements for Next Meeting and Adjournment

June 13 and 14, 2007

Regional Water Board Offices
5550 Skylane Blvd., Ste. A
Santa Rosa, CA

Procedures and Notes

A copy of the procedures governing Regional Water Board meetings may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq., and is available upon request. Hearings before the Regional Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code Section 11500 et seq.

A quorum of the members of the Regional Water Board may meet for dinner and may recess for lunch; however, no business will be discussed except for Closed Session items as announced at the meeting.

Accessibility - The facility is accessible to people with disabilities. Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact Jean Lockett, Secretary, at (707) 576-2307 or Jlockett@waterboards.ca.gov at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

General Statement - The primary duty of the Regional Water Board is to protect the quality of the waters within the region for all beneficial uses. This duty is implemented by formulation and adopting water quality plans for specific ground or surface water basins and by prescribing and enforcing requirements on all domestic and industrial waste discharges. Responsibilities and procedures of the Regional Water Quality Control Board come from the state's Porter-Cologne Water Quality Act and the nation's Clean Water Act.

Presentations - The purpose of the meeting is for the Regional Water Board to obtain testimony and information from concerned and affected parties and make decisions after considering the recommendations made by the Executive Officer. The Regional Water Board and staff welcome information on pertinent problems, but comments at the meeting should be brief and directed to specifics of the case to enable the Regional Water Board to take the appropriate action.

In order to give everyone an opportunity to be heard, a time limit for oral comments may be imposed on any agenda item. Interested persons are encouraged to submit their comments in writing by the applicable due date and use time for oral comments to summarize those concerns. **Speakers should plan to deliver their oral comments within 3 minutes.** If a longer period of time is desired, speakers will be expected to notify the Regional Water Board staff prior to the meeting date, for scheduling purposes. The speaker will be expected to have submitted a written summary of the comments to be delivered by the due date for the associated agenda item and limit oral comments to a summary of pertinent points previously presented in writing.

If the submitted written material is more than 5 pages or contains foldouts, color graphics, maps, etc., 20 copies must be submitted for distribution to the Board members and staff.

Comments on agenda items will be accepted by electronic mail subject to the same conditions set forth for other written submissions as long as the total submittal (including attachments) does not exceed 5 printed pages in length.

Speakers are responsible for providing and operating projectors and other presentation aids. Some equipment may be available at the Board meeting; however, the type of equipment available will vary depending on the meeting location. **To ascertain the availability of presentation equipment please contact Jean Lockett at (707) 576-2307 or Jlockett@waterboards.ca.gov at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.**

Hearing Record - Material presented to the Regional Water Board, as part of testimony that is to be made part of the record must be left with the Regional Water Board. This includes photographs, slides, charts, diagrams, written

testimony, etc. All Regional Water Board files pertaining to the items on this agenda are hereby made a part of the record submitted to the Regional Water Board by staff for its consideration prior to action on the related items.

Contributions to Regional Board Members - All persons who actively support or oppose the adoption of waste discharge requirements or a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit being considered by the Regional Water Board must submit a statement to the Board disclosing any contribution of \$250 or more to any Regional Water Board Member. This requirement applies to contributions of \$250 or more made by the active supporter or opponent or his/her agent for use in federal, state or local elections within the last 12 months.

Also, all permit applicants and/or persons who actively support or oppose adoption of a set of waste discharge requirements or an NPDES permit pending before the Regional Water Board are prohibited from making a contribution of \$250 or more to any Regional Water Board Member for three months following a Regional Water Board decision on the permit application.

Water Quality Certifications - The Regional Water Board processes requests for Water Quality Certification, pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act, to ensure that proposed federally-permitted activities will comply with the Regional Water Board's water quality standards. A listing of requests which are pending may be obtained by calling the office of the North Coast Regional Water Board at (707) 576-2220. The list may also be obtained by accessing our web site at: www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast

Notices of Proposed Corrective Actions - The Regional Water Board provides routine public notices on proposed corrective actions and closure decisions related to cleanup on contaminated sites. These routine notices are published on our web site and a copy is maintained at our office for public review.

Petition of Regional Board Action - Any person affected adversely by a decision of the Regional Water Board may petition the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), to review the decision. The State Water Board must receive the petition within 30 days of the Regional Water Board's meeting at which the action was taken. Copies of the laws and regulations applicable to filing a petition will be provided upon request, and may also be accessed at: www.waterboards.ca.gov/wqpetitions/index.html

If the State Water Board accepts a petition for review, the Regional Water Board will be required to file the record in the matter with the State Water Board. The costs of preparing and filing the record are the responsibility of the person(s) submitting the petition. The Regional Water Board will contact the person(s) submitting a petition and inform them of the payment process and any amounts due.

Board Member	Appointment Category	Last Appointed
John Corbett, Chairman <i>McKinleyville</i>	Water Supply	11/30/04
Bob Anderson, Vice Chairman <i>Healdsburg</i>	Irrigated Agriculture	12/02/05
John "Mike" Dunker <i>Rio Dell</i>	Municipal Government	11/22/06
Geoffrey Hales <i>Eureka</i>	Water Quality	2/27/07
Heidi Harris <i>Salyer</i>	Recreation, Fish and Wildlife	02/04/05
William Massey <i>Forestville</i>	County Government	10/07/05
Samuel Wakim <i>Yreka</i>	Public	11/22/06
Vacancy	Industrial Water Use	
Vacancy	Water Quality	

Charles "Charlie" R. Hoppin	State Board Liaison
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Lead Staff	
Catherine Kuhlman	Executive Officer
Luis Rivera	Assistant Executive Officer
Linda Kryla	Staff Services Manager
Janet Mahoney	Small Business Liaison
E. Jean Lockett	Executive Assistant
Samantha Olson	Counsel to the Board
Kim Niemeyer	Counsel to the Board

Watershed Protection Division	
David Leland	Division Chief
John Short	Supervisor, Core-regulatory Unit
Thomas B. Dunbar	Supervisor, Enforcement Unit
Diana Henrioulle	Supervisor, North Coastal NPS Unit

Timber Harvest Division	
Robert R. Klamt	Division Chief
Mark Neely	Supervisor, Southern Timber Unit
Fred Blatt	Supervisor, Northern Timber Unit

Watershed Management Division	
Ranjit Gill	Division Chief
Matt St. John	Lead, TMDL Unit
Holly Lundborg	Lead, Basin Planning Unit

Cleanup Division	
David Evans	Division Chief
Tuck Vath	Supervisor, Northern Cleanups Unit
Christine Wright-Shacklett	Supervisor, Southern Cleanups Unit